

POLICY STATEMENT

POLICY REGARDING NECESSARY TRAINING TO PRACTICE ACUPUNCTURE
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No chiropractic physician licensed in Tennessee shall be considered authorized to practice acupuncture pursuant to T.C.A. § 63-4-101(a)(1)(D)(ii) and Rule 0260-02-.02(4) unless said physician has completed two-hundred and fifty (250) **classroom practical hours** of an accredited acupuncture course and has passed the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners acupuncture exam. No online or distance learning hours shall be credited toward the required 250 hours.

Prior to engaging in the practice of acupuncture, a chiropractic physician must (1) request that an official transcript be sent directly to the Board's Administrative Office from an accredited acupuncture program demonstrating successful completion of at least 250 hours classroom practical training and education and (2) request that official proof be sent directly to the Board's Administrative Office from the NBCE demonstrating successful completion of the NCBE acupuncture exam.

This Policy Statement was adopted by the Board of Chiropractic Examiners on the 12th day of November, 2009.